AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A washing machine control method comprising steps of:

determining a first water level by sensing based upon a detected first laundry amount upon initiating a washing step;

determining a first wash pattern by sensing based upon a detected second wet laundry amount;

comparing the sensed detected first and second laundry amounts to determine a first differential; and

resetting the determined adjusting a first water level and wash pattern by sensing based upon a detected third laundry amount, if the first differential is greater than a first predetermined value.

2. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a the step of:

supplying water to a tub according to the first water level, wherein the sensed detected first laundry amount is a dry amount and the sensed detected second and third laundry amounts are wet amounts.

3. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a the step of:

performing the washing step according to using the first water level and according to the first wash pattern, if the first differential is not greater than the first predetermined value.

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4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, the resetting said adjusting step comprising the steps of:

comparing consecutively sensed detected laundry amounts to determine a second differential;

re-sensing the third laundry amount, if the second differential is greater than a second predetermined value;

setting a second water level and a second wash pattern based on a current value of the resensed third laundry amount, if the second differential is not greater than the second predetermined value [[;]] and performing the washing step according to the <u>set</u> second water level and the second wash pattern.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 4, further comprising a the step of:

displaying an error message if said re-sensing step is repeated a predetermined number of times.

6. (New) A method for controlling a washing machine, said method comprising: detecting an amount of laundry in the washing machine at a first time period; determining a water level based upon the amount of laundry; detecting an amount of laundry at a second time period;

calculating a first differential based upon the amount of laundry detected at the first and second time periods; and

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detecting an amount of laundry at a third time period, if the first differential is greater than a predetermined value and adjusting the water level based upon the amount of laundry detected at the third time period.

7. (New) The method according to claim 6, further comprising:

performing a washing operation using the determined water level if the first differential is less than or equal to the predetermined value.

8. (New) The method according to claim 6, further comprising:

calculating a second differential based upon the amount of laundry detected at the third time period and the amount of laundry detected at the second time period, if the first differential is greater than the predetermined value.

9. (New) The method according to claim 8, further comprising:

comparing the second differential to a second predetermined value and performing a washing operation based upon the adjusted water level, if the second differential is not greater than the second predetermined value.